FISCAL NOTE

SB 3731 - HB 3732

March 11, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes the "Tennessee Smokefree Air Act of 2006" which prohibits smoking in enclosed facilities, both public and private, unless the facility is a private residence, hotel or motel, retail tobacco store, assisted care living home, airport smoking area, workplace of tobacco products, private hospital room, non-publicly owned convention facility, bar and restaurant in which no person under 18 is employed or can gain access, smoking area of a workplace, or a private or military club.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues – Not Significant Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Govt. Revenues – Not Significant Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- The Department of Health and local health departments are authorized to enforce compliance through inspections of facilities, which will result in a not significant increase in state and local expenditures.
- Law enforcement officers would issue few citations to institutions for violations of the Act or for not taking reasonable measures to enforce the Act.
- Some increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local government revenues from fees, taxes, and costs collected. Such increases will not be significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director